

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
October 29, 2015**

Chairman Fulfer called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. in the Lea County Courthouse

Commissioners present were, to wit: Commissioner Dale Dunlap District 1, Commissioner Rebecca Long District 2, Vice Chairman Ron Black District 3, Commissioner James H. Britton District 4, and Chairman Gregory H. Fulfer District 5.

Also present were County Manager Michael P. Gallagher II and County Attorney John W. Caldwell.

Commissioner Dunlap led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Vice Chairman Black.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**
- **Consideration of Approval of the Following Minute:**
 - **October 15, 2015 Work Session Regarding the Lea County Fair & Rodeo & the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board**
 - **October 15, 2015 Regular Minutes**

Commissioner Long moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black and passed unanimously.

- **Discussion of Committee Reports**

Chairman Fulfer stated we have done some research concerning Senate Bill 268. Not all states get the Federal funding that corresponds to what New Mexico does. Chairman Fulfer stated I would like to hire a healthcare research company to do research and see what they can find. If we do not come up with something, there might be a jump in the tax rate.

Confirm Next Meeting(s):

- **Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 8:00 A.M Work Session Regarding the Lea County Fair & Rodeo & the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board**
- **Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 9:00 A.M.**
- **Thursday, December 17, 2015 at 9:00 A.M.**

The next meetings will be on **November 12, 2015, and December 17, 2015**, in the Lea County Commission Chambers.

- Comments from the Public

Pat Sims made comments concerning the Fair, and his concerns involving the new management company Spectra.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-224R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee.

There were no appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-223R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Memorial Committee

There were no appointments made

ITEM 02: OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

- **Clerk – Carrie Sandoval, Bureau of Elections Clerk**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-224R Precincts and Polling Places for the 2016 Elections

Bureau of Elections Clerk Sandoval requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve the Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-224R Precincts and Polling Places for the 2016 Elections. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- **Sheriff – Steve Ackerman**

- Consideration of Approval of Out of State Travel for Police Internal Affairs Training in Jacksonville, Florida on November 29-December 5, 2015

Sheriff Ackerman requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve out of state travel for Ron Black and Tony Budrow to attend the Police Internal Affairs Training in Jacksonville, Florida on November 29-December 5, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: Manager

- **Manager – Michael Gallagher**

- Consideration of Approval of Travel

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve the travel requests to Santa Fe for the New Mexico Association of Counties Legislative Conference. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 04: LEGAL

- **Attorney – John W. Caldwell**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-225R Approval of Extension Contract with GEO to Operate the Lea County Correctional Facility

Lea County Attorney Caldwell requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-225R Approval of Extension Contract with GEO to Operate the Lea County Correctional Facility. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of County Subdivision Approval Process

Lea County Attorney Caldwell presented a discussion of the County Subdivision approval process. Director Needham made comments expressing his opinion concerning dedicating right of ways, easements and the County Subdivision approval process. Gary Jones surveyor Basin Surveys made comments expressing his concerns regarding dedicating right of ways, easements and the County Subdivision approval process. Bobby Shaw made comments concerning his concerns regarding dedicating right of ways, and the County Subdivision approval process. Commissioner Long expressed her concern regarding the road issues. There was considerable discussion regarding this issue. No action taken.

ITEM 05: COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

- **Communications Authority – Angela Martinez, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Communication Authority Activity Report

Supervisor Martinez presented the Lea County Communications activity report. No action taken.

- **Detention Center – Padraig Downey, Warden**

- Discussion of Lea County Detention Center Activity Report

Warden Downey presented the Lea County Detention Center Activity report. No action taken.

- **DWI/Probation – Allie Miles, Preventionist**

- Discussion of Lea County DWI/Probation Activity Report

Preventionist Miles presented the Lea County DWI/Probation activity report. No action taken.

- **Emergency Management – Jeff Broom, Deputy Fire Marshal**

- Discussion of Lea County Emergency Management Activity Report

Deputy Fire Marshal Broom presented the Lea County Emergency Management activity report. No action taken.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-226R Accepting Grant Funds for a Grant Between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Deputy Fire Marshal Broom requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-226R Accepting Grant Funds for a Grant Between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- **Environmental Services – Cassie Corley, Environmental Tech**

- Discussion of Lea County Environmental Services Activity Report

Environmental Tech Corley presented the Lea County Environmental Services activity report. No action taken

- **Facilities – Erich Francke, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Facilities Activity Report

Director Francke presented the Lea County Facilities activity report by power point. No action taken.

- **Information Technology – Robert Lathrop, Administrator**

- Discussion of Lea County Information Technology Activity Report

Director Lathrop presented the Lea County Information Technology activity report. No action taken.

- **Planning- Bruce Reid, County Planner**

- Discussion of Lea County Planning Activity Report

Lea County Planner Reid presented the Lea County Planning activity report. No action taken.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-ACT-227R Approving the Final Plat of Sage Brush Subdivision Unit 2 and Acceptance of Mawpat Road into the County Maintenance Plan

Lea County Planner Reid requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-ACT-227R Approving the Final Plat of Sage Brush Subdivision Unit 2 and Acceptance of Mawpat Road into the County Maintenance Plan. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black and passed unanimously.

- **Public Works (Airports Engineering/Roads) – Corey Needham, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Public Works Activity Report

Director Needham presented the Lea County Public Works Activity Report by Power Point. No action taken.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-228R Awarding or Rejecting Bid No. 06 2014 – 2015 Demolition & Salvage of Aircraft Hangar at the Lea County Regional Airport

Director Needham requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-228R Awarding or Rejecting Bid No. 06 2014 – 2015 Demolition & Salvage of Aircraft Hangar at the Lea County Regional Airport. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-229R Granting of an Electrical Easement to Xcel Energy at the Lea County Regional Airport

Director Needham requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-OCT-229R Granting of an Electrical Easement to Xcel Energy at the Lea County Regional Airport. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of County Road Maintenance

Director Needham presented a discussion of the County Road Maintenance by power point.

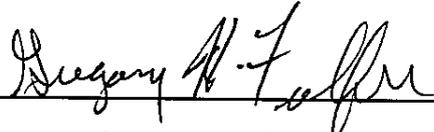
ITEM 06: OTHER BUSINESS

- **Board of County Commissioners**

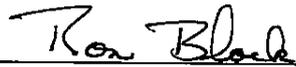
There was no other business

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

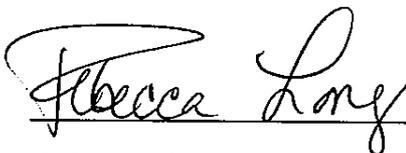
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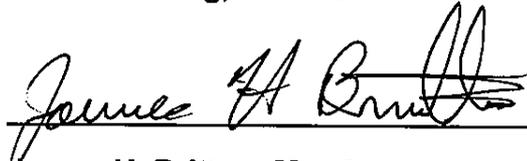
Gregory H. Fulfer, Chairman



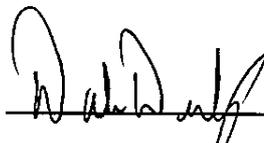
Ron Black, Vice Chairman



Rebecca Long, Member



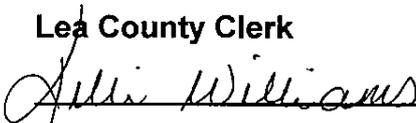
James H. Britton, Member



Dale Dunlap, Member

ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

Lea County Clerk



Kelli Williams

